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Before the  
**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
 Washington, DC 20554

Section 63.71 Nunc Pro Tunc Domestic  
 Discontinuance Application of Bellerud  
 Communications, LLC

) WC Docket No. 13-\_\_\_\_  
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**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION FOR NUNC PRO TUNC  
 DOMESTIC DISCONTINUANCE AUTHORITY OF  
 BELLERUD COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**

Bellerud Communications, LLC ("Applicant") hereby respectfully seeks nunc pro tunc authority pursuant to section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules to discontinue its provision of domestic telecommunications.

Applicant operated as a reseller of wireline local exchange and interexchange service to low-income consumers ("Lifeline" service) in the states identified below. Applicant did not provide international service. Because of a billing dispute with its underlying carrier, Applicant concluded that it must terminate service to its customers. Applicant provided written notice of the discontinuance to its customers and state public utility commissions, but inadvertently failed to seek prior approval from this Commission for the discontinuance of service. Applicant therefore respectfully seeks discontinuance authority nunc pro tunc to the respective discontinuance date for each state.

Applicant provides the following information pursuant to section 63.71 of the Commission's rules:

1. Name and address of carrier: Bellerud Communications, LLC, P.O. Box 1358,  
 Melbourne, FL 32902

2. Date of planned service discontinuance, reduction, or impairment: The

Applicants discontinued service on the dates indicated here:

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<b>State</b>	<b>Discontinuance Date</b>
Alabama	07/27/2011
Arkansas	06/15/2011
Florida	07/28/2011
Indiana	09/21/2011
Kentucky	06/28/2011
South Carolina	08/08/2011
Texas	07/15/2011

As noted above, applicants provided written notice to their customers and state public utility commissions, but inadvertently failed to seek prior approval from this Commission for the discontinuance. Applicants therefore respectfully seek nunc pro tunc authority to discontinue service.

3. Points of geographic areas of service affected: The states in which Applicant provided service are identified in the chart provided in item 2 above.

4. Brief description of type of service affected: Applicant provided resold local exchange and interexchange telephone service.

5. Brief description of the dates and methods of notice to all affected customers: Applicant sent notices to customers by first-class mail informing them that the company was ceasing to provide local and long distance telephone service and identifying each customer's specific discontinuance date. The notices stated that customers should select a different service provider to avoid an interruption of service, and noted that other service providers are listed in the customer's local telephone directory. The notices also provided a telephone number that customers could use to reach the company for assistance with the transition. An example of one of Applicant's customer notices is attached as Exhibit 1.

6. Whether the carrier is considered dominant or non-dominant with respect to the service being discontinued, reduced, or impaired: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the discontinued service.

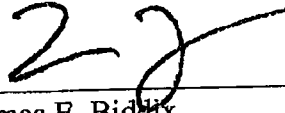
Applicant provided notice to the state public utilities commissions in each affected state shortly after the discontinuances. Concurrent with the filing of this application, Applicant also provided a copy of this application to the Governors of each affected state, and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense.

As noted above, Applicant respectfully requests nunc pro tunc authority to discontinue service effective as of the discontinuance dates noted above.

Respectfully submitted,

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BELLERUD COMMUNICATIONS, LLC  
P.O. BOX 1358  
Melbourne, FL 32902

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Thomas E. Biddix  
Managing Director

January 7, 2013

Attachment 1

Sample



May 13, 2011

Dear Customer:

This letter is to notify you that your local telephone service from BELLERUD COMMUNICATIONS, LLC will **not be available after June 15th, 2011**. This is the result of a billing dispute between BELLERUD COMMUNICATIONS, LLC and its wholesale service provider. You must select another carrier as your local telephone company before June 15th, 2011 to prevent interruption of service and loss of your telephone number.

You have a choice of different telephone service providers. There are a number of local providers in your area. A list can be found in your local telephone directory. If you do not complete the process of changing service to another provider before June 15th, 2011, your service will be terminated and, after that date, you will not be able to keep your same telephone number with a new provider.

If you have any questions, you may contact BELLERUD COMMUNICATIONS, LLC at 800-797-3547.

Cordially,

BELLERUD COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

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**Specimen Disconnect Letter**  
**Bellerud**  
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